



**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND**  
**UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON SCHWEINFURT**  
**CMR 457**  
**APO AE 09033**

REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Policy Memorandum 5-7, Vehicle Registration and Disposition  
of Abandoned Vehicles

1. References:

a. USAREUR (UR) Regulation 190-1, Registering and Operating Privately Owned Motor Vehicles (POVs) in Germany, 04 December 2006.

b. UR 600-1, Regulated Activities of Members of the U.S. Forces, Civilian Component, and Family Members, 30 August 1990.

2. Purpose. This memorandum establishes policy and procedures for obtaining and maintaining proper vehicle registration and the identification and disposition of abandoned vehicles within the United States Army Garrison Schweinfurt area of responsibility. A vehicle is abandoned if any of the following applies:

a. Circumstances indicating that a POV has been stationary for an extended period of time.

b. Circumstances which prove the owner has voluntarily relinquished rights, title, claim, and possession of the vehicle without the intention or indication of reclaiming or reserving ownership, possession, or control of the vehicle.

c. Valid license plates are missing, except in cases where the plates were immediately reported to the Military Police station as lost or stolen and efforts are initiated to procure new license plates.

3. Applicability. This policy applies to Soldiers, family members and those who work, reside in or visit the Schweinfurt Military Community.

4. Operation. Owners and drivers will ensure POVs are inspected, insured and registered in an operational status. Persons who are subject to the above listed regulations will not operate a POV or permit it to be operated until such time that it is properly inspected, insured and registered.

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This Policy Memorandum supersedes Policy Memorandum 5-7, dated 14 September 2004, and remains in effect until superseded or rescinded.

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5. Parking. Persons will not park a (POV) on any public highway, public area, military installation or military controlled housing, unless it is properly registered in an active status. Both license plates properly attached to the front and back of vehicle.

6. Non-Operational Status.

a. Owners may register POVs as non-operational as long as they comply with USAREUR Regulation 190-1. Non-operational owners must affix form 89N, proof of non-operational registration, to the inside lower right corner of the windshield.

b. Owners will only park non-operational POVs in a non-operational storage area, which will be designated by the Installation Commander, except in the following instances. Owners may store non-operation POVs at the auto craft shop for short periods of time for repair work, if there is an active agreement with the auto craft shop. Owners may store their POV at their private residence if it is covered and out of public view, as long as it is properly registered non-operational and it complies with all host nation laws. This does not apply to military owned, leased or otherwise controlled housing.

7. Identification and Removal of Abandoned Vehicles.

a. Commanders and military housing area coordinators will identify unregistered or abandoned POVs in their unit areas of operation and areas of responsibility. If the vehicle owner cannot be immediately identified, contact the Military Police Desk Sergeant with a description of the vehicle, license plate and location. The PMO will proceed with notifying the owner's chain of command. Unit commanders will take necessary measures to ensure that these vehicles become properly registered and stored.

b. Desk Sergeants will ensure Military Police Patrols actively seek out and identify unregistered and abandoned vehicles throughout the Schweinfurt area of responsibility, to include off post housing and public property. The Impound Lot POC will identify and tag abandoned vehicles, copies will be forwarded through the MP Desk to the Traffic Section.

c. Military Police Traffic Section will coordinate efforts to remove unregistered or abandoned vehicles through the unit chain of command. Directorate Morale, Welfare and Recreation will tow the vehicle if removal cannot be accomplished through the owner and the Traffic Section NCOIC will initiate a Military Police blotter report on the offense. The vehicle is placed into the impound lot and the owner will have three working days to properly register and store it.

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d. The Impound Lot Clerk will coordinate towing support to move suspect vehicles to the impound lot when voluntary removal cannot be accomplished. The vehicle owner will pay the prescribed towing fee. The Impound Lot Clerk will also actively patrol the Schweinfurt area of responsibility and identify unregistered/abandoned vehicles. Once identified, the vehicles tagged and reported to the Military Police Traffic Section for appropriate action.

e. Movement and impoundment of vehicles is supervised by the Military Police Impound Clerk or the Traffic Section NCOIC.

7. The proponent for this policy letter is the Provost Marshal, 354-1580 or 354-6755.

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